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Two specials in particular are a French Seam Four-in-Hand, 2 1-2 inches wide, full length and the same quality silk as in the usual 50c Tie. The other unusual value is in a wide Silk Four-in-Hand with

Silk-back Ties at 25c are rare.

All the new novelties for Spring in 50c Neckwear, including a complete line of blacks-every shape and width.

Men's Shirts, 500 and \$1.00

The 50c garments are a lot of New Negligees. Plain Whites, Bines, Tans, Pinks. Black stripes and figures, and Madras stripes and checks. We haven't seen their canal at half a dollar

The \$1 Shirts are the celebrated "Eclipse" make-and just the prettiest patterns that have come into Richmond this spring. White plaited fronts, neat stripes and new plaids, in tan, blue,

GRADUATE GATHERING.

Old Alumni of Johns Hopkins

Meet at Banquet Board.

To-night will witness a gathering

Club, where many of the old alumni of

Johns Hopkins University will meet to

talk over former days and the prospect

of the luture. There will be a banque and many addresses will be made. Amon the speakers will be Dr. Ira Remser president of Johns Hopkins University and Dr. E. A. Alderman, of the Univer-sity of Virginia.

from and will attend; Professon R. E. Gaines and Drs. W. A. Harris and W. L.

ASKS FOR WITNESSES.

Major Lanier Writes Chairman

Byrd List.

The chief developments in the State Corporation Commission investigation situation yesterday was the fact that Mr. A. S. Lanier, one of the chief witnesses, and a party to the proceeding, sent Chairman Byrd a list of the witnesses he desires account.

man Byrd a list of the witnesses he desires summoned.

There were only two of them and they are A. M. Tyler, one of the dismissed clerks, and Mr. Irving E. Campbell, an officer and attorney for the Virginia Corporation Company (inc.) and law partner of Mr. Lanier. Notices were promptly issued for both gentlemen by the chairman and they will likely be in attendance, Mr. Campbell is in Richmond and was easily reached, while Mr. Tyler is in New York. He will probably attend. The initial meeting Monday atternoon will be of great ptolic interest, and this may keep up during the entire inquiry.

Heavy Hand Upon Them.

In Police Court yesterday, morning Charles Washington and Virgie Gwath-

charge of selling whiskey without a license. The negro men were proprietors
of the Iron Side Club on Thirty-first
Street, and were caught selling whiskey
to white men, the club heing only for
negroes. Mr. J. J. Davis, who conducts
a legitinate whiskey business not fur
from the club, assisted the officers in
making the arrest.

Police Sergeant Frank Kraft was the
first to kiss the new Bible in Police Court
yesterday morning and he did so with
a resounding smack. He was testifying
against a poor unfortunate who had
been caught the night before. Two copies
of Holy Writ were presented to the court
the day before by Councilman T. H.
Ellett.

Entert, Tardy Richardson, a negro, for being a deserter from the United States Navy, promised to go back and be good. He was held for further orders.

The drunks escaped, from the One John was feeling fine.

"The End of It All."

Petition in Bankruptcy.

Petition in Bainkrupicy,
The following petitions in bainkrupicy
were filed on yesterday in the United
Sinteg District Court;
James H. White, of Manchester, Assets, nothing, liabilities, about \$2,66500,
of which \$287.60 is due an afternoon paper.
Patrick J. Griffin, of Richmond, Assets,
\$2,521.00; inbollities, 21,912.68.
Both claim homestead.

Talk of Mr. Allan.

Ellett.

BOURKE COCKRAN SCORES RAILWAYS

In His Speech in Congress He Fights With Gloves.

BIG PROFITS OF SMALL ROAD

Ohio Railroads Retaliate Becaus. of Two-Cent Rate Cutting

of Charities.

Doyle, of the Chesapeake and Ohio, are on an inspection trip on the western end

The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway pas onger department have received advices Association to the effect that

ablished authority greater than the gov

arger fortunes have been established corrupt railway favors than by the set ability in legitimate industry possessed by any man in the world. Where discrimination has been the sest, corruption the most deprayed. ost cynical, the most unblushing the profits of the eriminals have

er industry, criminals nave grown cerful that instead of submitting

and command it. the cupidity of political lead-ave succeeded in dominating

my one, excusavely, or be divinced be-tween both of them, the weapon with which one threatened the other was the government of the State, to which both men were supposed to be subject, but which one or them controlled absolutely, because the boss of the dominant political JESTV was as completely his avonety of

party was as completely his property as the watch in his pocket.

"Am I extravagant when I describe these men as a privileged class, enjoying immunities unknown to the law exer-cising powers above the law and in spite of 12.

cising powers above the law and in spite of it?

"Have Senators Mitchell and Burton enjoyed equal privileges and equal immunities with Messis. Morgan, Hill, Harriman and others?

"Morgan and Hill are enriched by the decision which condemns them and free to enjoy the wealth which is showered upon them; Michell and Burton were consigned to infamy and absolute ruin of fortune and of honor.

"The history of railway management in this country is a history of favoritism, of corruption, of wrong made enormously profitable and crime made respectable by the great fortunes of which it has been the source."

of corruption, of wrong made enormously profitable and crime made respectable by the great fortunes of which it has been the source.

The report of the Fronton Rallroad Courbany, for the last facal year shows a net profit of \$125.00. The company has a capital stocks of only \$2.00.60, and is chimed to be one of the most profitable pullroads in the United States. The Lebigh Valley Ralfroad Company has been mouths had under consideration the surfaces of the line, but so far no arrespent has been reached. The Ironton Rallroad is only seven miles for roading running from Copiey to Ordineld. It has had twenty-four miles of track.

A purchase that may have some significance, in yiew of the Baltimore and Onlor interest in the property purchased the first presence of the lines of the lines of the last may have some significance, in yiew of the Baltimore and Onlor interest in the property purchased the control of the service will open at 3800 with linestret songs. Mr. Handson 8. Wattlinstanted songs. Mr.

Thousands Drink

and get well from and get well from
disease caused by
ordinary coffee.

There's a Reason."

Talk of Mr. Allan.

It is said by some Republicans who are understood to be pretty close to the inside of things, that Mr. Edwar Allan, Jr., will be the assistant postmater under Mr. Royall E. Cabell.

It is not known that Mr. Allan is seek in the place, but this is the talk that is lieard among well posted ones.

NEWS GATHERED FROM SOUTHSIDE

Annexation Revived By Sadler Bill in the Legisla-

RETAIN CORPORATION COURT

Social Gatherings in the City. Personals and

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, No. 1102 Hull Street. Annexation has been somewhat reviv in Manchester by the bill in the Legis fiture that provides for the retaining of the Corporation Court in Manchester it the event of the consolidation of the two cities. The roport that the bill is being held up in the General Assembly is en tirely without foundation in as the records of the legislative body are Assembly are working as hard as they Assembly are working as hard as they can to finish all the bills that have been introduced and to clear the calendar before the time for adjournment, and with this end in view they are not taking up many acts out of their regular order. When the special bill applying to Manchester is reached on the calendar it will be, either skipned or passed and there from the Little Kanawha syndicate, has just been closed in West Virginia. Interests identified with the Baltimore and Ohlo have secured the Cairo and Little Kanawha Ballroad, an Bruile narrow-kauge line extending from Cairo, on the Baltimore and Ohlo, to McKarlan. This road was built over forty years ago and renches inportant, petroleum wells and coal territory. The purpose is to make it standard-gauge and extend it to Grantsville, on the Little Kanawha Railroad. Its extension, would give the Baltimore and Ohlo a short route to the coal properties of the Little Kanawha syndicate, of xwhich the Baltimore and Ohlo is now part owner.

proposition to consolidate

Mrs. Gibbs entertained a large number her friends at her home in Semmes reet last night. Miss Mazie Strader on the prize of the evening. Among ose present were Misses Emily, Bessle d Cleve Gary. Emily and Xella Fitz-gald, Annie, Esther and Mazie Strader,

Her Sunday School Class.

Mrs. E. V. Baldy, wife of Rev. E. V. Baldy, of Bainbridge Street Baptist Thurch, entertained her Sunday school Church, entertained her Sunday school class at her home Thursday night in a most delightful manner. Among those present were Misses Vera and Ethel Duval, Janie Davidson, Alma Savory. Mabel Gallagher. Emma Nunnally, Mabel Moody, Jennie Jones, Mamie and Novetta Reynolds, Grace Taylor, Dalsie Grubbs, Mattle Betts, Isabel White, Manne Goodwyn, Hilds Goodwin, Payne White, Mrs. Mattle Buts, Isaber wife, Simble Good-wyn, Hilda Goodwin, Payne White, Mrs. Allen N. Pettigrew, Mrs. Archie David-son, Mrs. R. C. Broaddus. Dr Baldy and his son, Master Frank, assisted Mrs. Baldy in receiving their guests.

Personals and Briefs.

Beta Chapter Standard Bearers, of Stockton Street Baptist Church will give a "name sociable" in Toney's Hall tonight, Every one who attends is expected to give one penny for each letter in ans or her name.

Mr. Thomas B. Slaughter returned yesterday from South Boston, where he delivered the principal address before the Junior Order Lodge there, Thursday night.

Mrs. William Coleman, of Port Wal-thall has returned to her home after a very pleasant visit to the home of Mrs. Wilsoff in Swansboro.

ing Mrs. R. V. Cogbill, of Chesterfield

rthouse, fter a visit to friends in Baltimore, Claude V. Jones, son of Policeman les, has returned to his home in the

Mrs. W. B. Beattle, who has been ill

young men.
Dr. E. T. Rucker, Mr. D. L. Pulliam and Mr A. D. Shotwell have been appointed a committee to confer with the educational board relative to a new school census for the city.
Mr. J. P. Androws will leave for Fayetteville, N. C., Sunday on a husiness trip.

trip.
Mr. George Berryman, of Surray county, is visiting relatives in Manchester.

SELECT A FAIR SITE.

Sub-Committee to Meet Similar Body From Finance Committee.

At the meeting of the State Fair Committee last night chalrman H. C. Stuart appointed Colonel John Murphy, J. T. Anderson and John G. Corley a subcommittee to not in conjunction with the subcommittee of not in conjunction with the subcommittee of the Finance Committee or the City Council to select a permanent site for the State Fair Grounds. This committee will not in conjunction with J. B. Wood, W. T. Dahney and G. K. Pollock, and will as soon as practicable get together and ugree on the site for the Fair.

together and agree on the site for the The committee met last right in Murphy's Hotel, and most of the time was taken up with exhaustive reports of the work of the man yarlous subcommittee.

After the meeting Chairman Staurt said that the reports from every source were agreed to the successful arrangement of the biggest and best State Fair ever seen in Virgina.

Exercise the soliciting committee made very encouraging reports, and asked another week in which to complete their work. The question of a financial agent was discussed again last night and post-posted for the next meeting.

The product that their work was fast getting to a point where the selection of a site would soon be a necessity, and for this reason the committee on site announced its intention to act without any unnecessary delay.

Army's Gospel Service.

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The gestiel service at the Salvation Army Hall to-morrow night at the resular service have will prove interesting to all who attend. Mr. H. Turpier, who addressed the service at the army hall last Sunday, will deliyer another address, using for his subject his missionary experience in Africa. For many years Mr. Turper was a missionary to Africa, and at the course of his work in that land at the course of his work in that and at the course of his head fress on the life of those among whom a lived and worked with.

The meeting at the army hall, No. 6.7 also from Sirvet, last Sunday night was well attended, and it is hoped that many will come and hear Mr. Turper to-morrow,

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for dessert, and it is better than most desserts that require an hour's preparation. Octainly no other "quick" dessert can be compared with Jell-O, which is recognity considered. generally considered America's most famous dessert.
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DELAYED WORK AT SETTLING BASIN

Water Committee Considering the Work Being Done By Winston

Work Being Done By Winston & Company.

The Committee on Water held its regular meeting last night, and after transacting the small amount of routine business found on the clerk's table, went into executive session to consider the report of the sub-committee on the settling basin contract with Messrs. Winston & Co. The sub-committee made, so it is understood, a full report of the present condition of the work in the hands of winston & Co., together with the causes of the delay, some of which were absolutely unavoidable.

The committee spent considerable time discussing the matter and finally deferred action, pending a further consultation with the city attorney.

It is understood that Messrs, Winston & Co. have enlarged their rorce of workmen and improved their equipment so that they can, in all probability, complete the busin by the middle of April or first of

May.

The troubles all along seems to have been scarcity of labor.

Southern Trio and Mart King.

Next Saturday night there will be are evening of Southern melodies, with band, and gultar accompaniment, by the Southern Trio, three Georgia girls, accompanied by Mart King, story-teller and humorist. For an evening of delightful recreation and amusement it will excel anything of recent months. The New York thing of recent months. The New Yor Tribune says; "At the musical given at the White House last night, "The Southern Trio' brought down the house," The Newark News says: "A notable feature of the evening was the singing of various songs of Southern origin by "The Southern Trio."

Mr. Gregory Here.

Mr. W. B. Gregory, of Buffalo, N. Y. s visiting his friend of boyhood days fr. T. H. Bigger, of West Grace Street Mr. T. H. Bigger, of West Grace Street, Mr. Gregory was born and raised in Richmond, and left here to make his home in the West twenty years ago, and is now the elevator agent of the Mutual

The week's transactions in leaf tobaccolosed yesterday with fairly good sales at all the warehouses, aggregating 125,000 pounds for the day. The highest price of the day was 125 at Shelburne's warehouse, where something over 45,000 pounds or the day was \$25 at Shelburne's house, where something over 15,000 of sun-cured was sold. The market firm. It is believed by those position to know that a good seas next week will about wind up the trade. Of course there is yet a goo of shipped tobacco to be sold.

Leaves for Home

Dr. Moorehead Here. Dr. J. IA Moorchead, president Roanoke College, is in the city, and registered at Murphy's.

Boy Shot.

locate the ball. The patient was taken to the Twin City Hospital, and it was announced to-day that the wound was not as serious as first supposed. The boy will be sent home in a day or two.

**Track of the Backstone Conter, who was operated on a few days ago at the Vriginia Hospital for appendicits, is getting on micely, and they will be sent home in a day or two.

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Maco

market to-day.

GREEK ARRESTED: THEFT ALLEGED

Bacas's Pants Were Robbed of Considerable Sum-Papanickola Held.

CONSIDERABLE SUM IS FOUND

But the Greek Claimed That This is His Money-Bacas

Clever detective work of Sergeant Willshire, of the detective department landed behind the bars at the Second Police Station last night one Pete Papanickoln, a bootblack, in the employ of Louis Bacas, proprietor of the shoeshining parlor in the Clifford pool rooms at No. 815 East Broad Street, upon the charge of stealing from his employer \$55, and further that he entered, feloniously, the Clifford and attempted to steal from

the Clifford and attempted to steal from
the sage of this place what valuables
were contained therein.
Papanickola worked for Bacas and
roomed with him at No. 1439 East Main
Early yesterday morning Bacas awoke
and found that his pants were missing
and with them between fifty and sixty
dollars. He reported the matter at once
to the police who made an investigation,
The detective department was notified. The detective department was notified, and Captain Tomlinson yesterday afternoon said that the matter was of nature that he would not enter it on

Detective Wiltshire heard of the report Detective Wiltshire heard of the report and began work on the case. He learned that there had been a pair of pants stolen from the room of Bacas and that in these pants was a key to the Clifford Pool Room, In the natural course of reasoning he figured it out that the thief was one who knew something about the situation. Mr. Wiltshire went to work at once on the case and interviewed Sergeant Frank Kraft, who was on the beat Thursday morning early when the Clif-Thursday morning early when the Clif-ford was alleged to have been entered. Sergeant Kraft remembered having bassed the place about 3 o'clock and of

prisoner denied any knowledge of the

Found Some Money On Him.

Upon learning that his employe had so much money, Bacas was so mad that he wanted to finish the case, so far as Papanickola was concerned, at once. But for the litterference of Sergant Kraft he would have perhaps killed the Greek, who this morning is to stand the charge of robbery and housebreaking.

The prisoner came to Richmond about two weeks are. He has been in this country we have the same that the country we weeks are.

try about three weeks, and does not speak English at all.

The case will come up in Police Court this morning, whether it is docketed on the detective record book or not.

Young Land Better.

The twelve-year-old son of Land, editor of the Blackston

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and show you the infinite care

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TORRENS SYSTEM IS NOT YET DEAD

A Brilliant Effort.

The speech of the patron in favor of his bill was easily the best made in the House at the present session, and so thoroughly was its force and ability realized that men voting on the other side joined in the request that his time be extended. Messrs, Martin Williams and Lane were both on their feet at one time asking

for an extension, and it was readily and cheerfully granted.

After he had concluded his very able and logical contentions for the passage of the bill, Mr. Massie launched into a splendid peroration, which was pronounced on all hands as a magnificent effort. When Mr. Massie resumed his seat, there was a rush to his deak from all over the hall, and members crowded about him to shake his hand in congratulation. He will stand for the Legislature

Register of Land Office Tells New

Colonel John W. Richardson, Registe

my control as Register and Superintendent of Grounds and Buildings, I wish to say, 1st, that if the offices are separativel, the one of superintendent of grounds and buildings will have to have an office and keep a set of books, in which to record his purchases of supplies, such as coal, wood, ice, etc., and in which to audit all claims contracted in the way of repairs, etc., to be paid from the Governor's contingent fund, and the dis-

Official recognition of the services of Pay Director William. W. Galt at Mirs Bay on April. 26, 1888, during the war with Spain, is proposed in a joint resolution offered in the Senate yesterday by Mr. Sale, of Norfolk.

While a paymaster on board the U. S. S. Raleigh, just previous to sailing to attack Manila, Galt performed in a most gallant manner valuable services in contaction with completing and outflitting the Radeigh and exhibited conduct of a highly praiseworthy character in procuring an essential piece of equipment from Hong Kong, but for which the vessel would not have been able to participate in the historic battle in Manila Bay. The sorvices of Galt received special mention in the report of Commander Cognilin, of the Raleigh, and also brought to the jaymester, besides promotion, a special commendatory letter from the Secretary of line Navy. The resolutions proposed now by Mr. Sale is in these words:

1. That it is fitting and proper that such meritorious staylees and distinguished conducte of a native son of Virginia should be recognized by the Legislature of the State and should be perpetuated in her recognized by the Legislature of the State and should be perpetuated in her recognized and archives as in keeping with

are ready---Are you?

"Knox" Spring Hats

Gans-Rady Company

the statutes of this State."

Mr. Massic made a splendid fight, and though he lost in the House, which defeat ends the battle so far as this Legislature is concerned, yet he seems confident that time will vindicate his position and result in the final adoption of the principle for which he so ably contended.

EXPLAINS DUTIES

Legislators of His Work,

of the Land Office, made the following statement to a Times-Dispatch man last "There being many new members is

the present General Assembly that are

State officials, that I have not sought, nor do I now seek, to supplant any of them in any of their appointments, and am only concending that I shall not be held responsible for the conduct of any employe not appointed by me. I have trouble enough with the patronage I now have without inviting more.

"There are members now serving in the General Assembly who will remember that at every term since my incumbency, including the Constitutional Convention, efforts were made by some members to abolish the land office and superintendent of grounds and buildings, on the plea

abolish the land office and superintendent of grounds and bulldings, on the plea then that there was nothing to do, and the plea is now that there is too much for one man to do, coupled with the declaration that 'the duties of the register of the land office have greatly dwindled,' 'Finally, as to the work: With all the 'sweeping changes' spoken of, I can do it promptly and efficiently, and have in the past so done, as I confidently believe all will testify who have had work done in the land office.

"I shall cheerfully abide the mandates of the General Assembly, whatever they may be, in this matter, but I cannot besleve it will destroy the identity of the people's central and head land office by merging it into some other department after they have known it as such since 1625."

the glorious deeds of her sons in the past and as an inspiring example for future generations.

2. That the congratulations of the Legislature of Virginia be and the same are hereby, extended to Pay Director William W. Galt, U. S. N., for his conduct at Mirs Bay, April 25, 1905.

3. That an engrossed copy of this joint resolution be transmitted to Paymaster Galt by the clerk of the House.

Richmond recently by a close, vote de-clared itself against.

Under the Sale bill there shall be elected by the joint vote of the Common Council in all cities containing over 39,-669 inhabitants a civil trial justice, who shall have practiced law in the State for at least five years and who shall serve for a term of four years, beginning July 1st after election, at a salary of not less than \$2,499 per annum The civil trial justices will have jurisdiction of any claim to specific personal property of less value than \$300 or to any debt, fine, or other money, or to damages for breach of any contract, or for any in-jury done to property, real, or personal, less than \$300, inclusive of interest.

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In the Senate yesterday, Mr. Chapman, of Greene, offered a bill authorizing the board of visitors of the University of Virginia to issue four per cent. bends to an amount not exceeding \$200,000 for the purpose of retiring the bonds of the University now outstanding under the act of 1896, enabling the University to adopt this means of repairing the loss sustained by the fire of October 27, 1855. By the terms of this act, the sum of \$19,000 was appropriated to meet the interest on the bonds which hear five per cent, interest and provide a sinking fund for the payment of the principal. This sum is imadequate for both of these purposes, but would be sufficient if the bonds carried a laws even for the payment of the principal. This ter ten years, which time has now ex-pired. The purpose of the new act is to make it possible to negotiate a new Ican bearing a lower rate of interest.

signed to take care of the Jamestown Exposition and other extraordinary apmittee, and will be offered in the lower

mittee, and will be offered in the lower branch to-day.

The bill will carry about \$40,000 of appropriations and will distribute the estimated balance notably among the various institutions. This will make the total sum appropriated in the neighborhood of \$4,40,000. Jamestown asks \$150.000 and will get \$100,009, and the other requests will be scaled on the Lame basis.

Colonel A. M. Bowman, of Salem, Chairman of the House Finance Committee, has offered a most important bill in the House, which if passed, will bring annually into the treasury from \$50,60 to \$100,000 of additional revenue. The bill imposes a franchise tax upon foreign corporations, and places them upon the same footing with those organized in this State.

The House Committee on Countles, Cities and Towns met last night and heard partial argument on the various liquor dispensary bills now pending be-

fore the lower branch. The committee at 10 o'clock arose to meet again Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. when final action is looked for

Hon, Marshall B. Booker, of Halifax, has succeeded in securing a hearing for his two cent per mile passenger fare hill before the House Committee in Honds at 10 o'clock A. M. next Wednes-day. The junior member from Halifax is deeply interested in the matter, and has behind him a strong following in the House.

Artist W. W. Foster is making a group picture of the members of the House of Delegates. Some of the members have not yet had their sittings.

FOUR KILLED

Unexpected Explosion of Can of Giant Powder.

(Special to The Times Dispatch.)
BLUEFIELD, W. VA., February 23—
Four men were killed while working on the new rallroad being built by the Trawwater Company, near Rock, to-day. The men were preparing to put off a blass when in some manner unknown the can of giant powder which they were using became ignited, exploding with terrific force.